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Base gets first full-scale B-52 egress trainer

BY AIRMAN 1ST CLASS JUSTASIA LEHMANN

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The Air Force's first full-scale B-52 egress trainer was unveiled in a ceremony inside the wing life support building July

The new trainer is an actual flight deck compartment of a B-52.

"This truly is a magnificent piece of equipment," said Lt. Col. Charles Patnaude, 2d Operations Support Squadron commander, during the unveiling ceremony. "When I heard we were getting a new B-52 egress trainer, I had no idea we were getting an actual B-52.'

The egress trainer will service more than 400 aviators at Barksdale, Colonel Patnaude

"Flyers from four bomb squadrons, the 2d OSS, the 340th Weapons Squadron and the 49th Test and Evaluation Squadron will all benefit from its use as well as aviators at the 8th Air Force," the colonel said. "The trainer will provide a realistic environment to teach aviators how to evacuate a crippled B-52 both on the ground and in the air. It will teach crewmembers how to work together to stay alive. This trainer will very realistically save lives."

The trainer isn't just for training aviators; various other crewmembers will also benefit from it.

"The trainer will support the egress training for specialized undergraduate pilot training and specialized undergraduate navigator training graduates assigned to the B-52, aircrew returning to duty in the jet, locally assigned aircrew, crew chiefs and specialists who require the training and any distinguished visitors before flying on the jet," said Maj. Dwayne Wilson, 2d OSS wing life

"The old mock-ups only allowed one person at a time to practice egress procedures," Major Wilson said. "With the B-52 egress trainer, we will be able to have aircrew practice individual and crew egress procedures, and all the coordination necessary to get up to 10 members out of a very small space safely and expeditiously. Furthermore, we will be able to train more crewmembers in a shorter amount of time."

Egress trainers have been a part of the Air Force community for many years, but due to the large scale of the B-52, there was never a full-scale trainer capable for training. The new trainer has changed that.

"The B-52 is scheduled to remain in service for many years to come and the old egress trainers were not very efficient or realistic in the training they provided," Major Wilson said. "A number of retired aircraft were available and the need for better quality hands-on training using equipment configured to mirror actual equipment led to the decision to develop the egress trainer.'

The trainer was made from an aircraft that has a history all its own.

"This airplane has a very distinguished past," Colonel Patnaude said. "Her bureau number, or tail number, is 58-0217. A plaque near the stairs lists her lineage and I am personally proud to have her reside in a 2d OSS facility. Like me, she's been stationed at Mather Air Force Base, Calif.; Castle AFB, Calif.; Wurtsmith AFB, Mich.; Griffiss AFB, N.Y.; and Barksdale — for her, some of those places more than once. She's also been stationed at Loring AFB, Maine; Andersen AFB, Guam; and Seymour-Johnson AFB, N.C. But the real reason I feel 58-0217 is so special is because I flew on her five times between 1988 and 1991 and have more than 27 hours with her.

"This aircraft was a 'G' model in those days. In 1991, she was retired from Wurtsmith to the boneyard at Davis-Monthan AFB, Ariz.," the colonel said. "In 2001, she was shipped to Luke AFB, Ariz., and refurbished. While there, she was con-



Airman 1st Class Trina Flannagan/2d CS

Maj. Michael Cardoza, 2d Bomb Wing safety officer, exits the cockpit of the B-52 egress trainer during training Monday.

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verted from a 'G' to an 'H' model.

"In May 2004, the 2d BW accepted her and she was disassembled at Luke AFB, Ariz., transported to Barksdale and rebuilt her in this facility," he said. "The crew did a fantastic job.'

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2d Logistics Readiness Squadron A look at who helps keep our aircraft airborne

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2d BW BUFF Smoke settles

BY COL. MICHAEL MOELLER
2D BOMB WING COMMANDER

This week many of you may have heard the sound of more B-52 engines running on the ramp than normal, and some of the bombers started up pretty early in the morning! To my ears it sounded like beautiful music, but I know it made it harder to sleep for our folks who live on the side of the base nearest the flightline. There was an outstanding reason for this extra activity. We were conducting BUFF Smoke ... a 2d Bomb Wing operations and maintenance competition designed to hone our combat edge and increase our readiness.

Over a three-day period, our maintainers competed as individuals and teams against each other to see who truly is the very best in the wing at maintaining, repairing, loading and sustaining B-52s. At the same time, our aviators flew an extremely demanding and complex sortie that very closely simulated our wartime tasking. They were graded in all aspects of the mission including precise timing, air refueling, accurate bombing, protecting the aircraft with electronic countermeasures and landings. At the end of the competition we recognized our top performers, but when the smoke cleared the real winner was the mighty Deuce. We will be better prepared to accomplish our primary mission of providing rapid, responsive bomber power around the globe. Why is BUFF Smoke impor-

tant? This friendly competition increased the pressure and provided our warriors with a "taste of combat stress." Additionally, it tested our skills and job knowledge at a high pace while ensuring we have institutionalized our commitment to compliance, attention to detail and accountability. Success required that every person do their task right

the first time so everyone on the ground or in the air had to be at the very top of their game.

BUFF Smoke took a total team effort, and every wing member played a part in this competition.

Now, some of you will

say ... I sat behind a customer service counter or worked at an office desk so how did I play a role in how well we flew jets this week? Let me give you one example of what I mean. Let's say one of our crew chiefs had a sick child at home so late in the afternoon the crew chief took the child to the medical clinic. Our medical pros quickly bring them in, diagnose the problem and provide what the youngster needs to relieve the pain and get well. Thanks to their efforts, the crew chief can get the quality rest needed to get up the next morning refreshed and totally focused. Now this dedicated maintainer is ready to handle an incredibly busy day launching and recovering bombers.

Without the friendly, professional service in the 2d Medical Group we may have lowered our flightline productivity and potentially increased safety risks.



This is just one example, but I can pick any career field or any office and show the unbreakable mission chain. Each and every one of us must know how our performance affects the mission and why his or her job is important. So, once more, let me be clear — EVERY person in this wing is a warrior and EVERY member plays a critical role in our operational success!

To sum up: Barksdale is at the leading edge for flying, fixing and supporting bomber operations. We are second to none because of your professionalism, commitment, "can-do" mentality and courage. These are not just hollow words but the culture that defines the mighty Deuce. Thank you for making our first BUFF Smoke a huge success and more importantly, thank you for all you do to keep us first to fight!

Honor flag, retreat

uery: One evening I saw a car fail to stop during the 5 p.m. playing of the national anthem. Can you do something to remind people to pay respect to the flag?

esponse: Thanks for bringing this to my attention. I certainly hope this person was unaware that retreat was hap-

pening and that the national anthem was playing. I cannot believe that anyone that works on Barksdale would not want to honor those who have served this great nation and the flag that waves over it. Let me be clear — at 5 p.m. every day retreat sounds ... during that time if you are outside, all activity ceases and every person will render the appropriate courtesies during the short ceremony.

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Although the Action Line is always available for use, the best and fastest way to resolve problems is through the chain of command or the organization involved.

Individuals are encouraged to go that route first. If the problem is still unresolved, call the Action Line and the appropriate base agency will address the problem. Positive feedback



Col. Michael Moeller 2d Bomb Wing commander

about Barksdale is also encouraged. Please leave a name and phone number when calling the Action Line as more information may be needed.

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Facing new challenges in today's Air Force

BY MAJ. NATHAN MOONEY

2D LOGISTICS READINESS SQUADRON COMMANDER

Few would argue that this is a very unique time for those of us in the Air Force. Requirements such as the aerospace expeditionary force, Army base operating support taskings and force reshaping are but a few of the challenges we face as we navigate today's unchartered territory. Without question, each of us is playing an integral part of helping our Air Force, the best Air Force in the world, to forge a new path, a path which will help redefine the application of air and space power both at home and around the globe. Because of this, and our on-going global commitments, the Air Force has placed even greater responsibility on all Airmen, regardless of rank, duty title or Air Force Specialty

I am often asked what I think are the key attributes each of us, as Airmen, must have in order to meet the challenges and effectively function as members of today's Air Force. I sum up my response in three words: competence, confidence and commitment. Let's start with competence.

We live in a very fast-paced world and it's getting faster everyday. This is primarily fueled by the numerous advances of the information age. The amount of information each of us processes on a daily bases via e-mail, the Internet, briefings, CNN, ESPN, etc., is amazing. Today's environment dictates that we be able to grab large chunks of information, crunch it into manageable, bite-sized parts and make critical, mission-essential decisions. This is true whether you work on the flightline or in a customer service office. Regardless of AFSC, we all are continually faced with making crucial decisions about areas we may or may not be familiar with. For this reason, it is important each of us strive for the goal of learning something new every day. By

doing so, you are able to place some very essential tools in your toolbox. These tools by themselves will in no way make you an overall expert.

Instead, they will lay the foundation so you can more effectively work with others both in and out of your squadron. Remember, the primary reason for enhancing your overall knowledge base and increasing your competence is to help make those around you better. In other words, service before self. In this unique time we live in, this is critical. It's a proven fact that as you increase your competence, you will also increase your confidence.

Confidence is another critical component we, as Airmen, cannot afford to be without. Both your co-workers and subordinates deserve it and your bosses will demand it. As I stated earlier, on several

occasions we will be placed in situations where we may be absolutely "clueless." This is where the tools from your toolbox are essential. They will serve as a critical link to help you build your confidence.

I can't help but think about the vehicle operators in my squadron. These outstanding warriors are deploying to Iraq in direct support of the Army as convoy drivers. They are required to immediately integrate into Army units and function effectively from day one. Many have never worked with an Army unit before. Needless to say, this could be a very intimidating experience for some of my more junior members. With each rotation, they gather valuable lessons learned — essential tools for the toolbox — which they pass to each other so the team in the next rotation can be

even more effective than the last. They are using their tools to enhance their confidence and the overall mission effectiveness of their fellow co-workers. Hoorah!

This brings me to my last critical component, commitment. When I refer to commitment, I am referring to commitment to excellence, commitment to the squadron, commitment to the mission and commitment to becoming the very best Airmen each of us can possibly be. I am not talking about a part-time desire or a commitment when it is convenient but an indelible pursuit to far exceed any and all requirements. Maintaining this high level of commitment will help ensure you are, on a daily basis, serving as a critical link in helping the Air Force, your squadron, the wing and yourself be the best. By remaining focused on commitment, you will help to provide the

other members of your team the necessary tools they need in order to succeed. Remember, commitment is contagious so spread it around.

As a squadron commander, I am continually amazed as I watch the members of our Air Force team do great things as they step up to the plate and "make it happen" on a daily basis. Even when faced with uncertainty, caused by issues such as constant rotations and long work days, our folks are stepping up, taking charge and helping their squadron and the wing accomplish tremendous things. I firmly believe this is due not only to the high level of professionalism our Air Force warriors demonstrate on a daily basis but it is also due to the constant pursuit by many of our stellar warriors to remain competent, confident and committed. Anything less is unacceptable.



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2004 Sijan nominees submitted to ACC

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Air Combat Command is currently reviewing the 2d Bomb Wing nominees for the 2004 Air Force Lance P. Sijan Award.

The Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award recognizes officers and enlisted members who have demonstrated the highest qualities of leadership.

Maj. Jeffery Spann, 2d Munitions Squadron, received the senior officer nomination. The junior officer award went to 1st Lt. Michael Boe, 2d Operations Support Squadron. Senior Master Sgt. Carl Walters, 2d Civil Engineer Squadron, received the senior enlisted level nomination. The junior enlisted level nominee is Master Sgt. Alisha Laird, 2d BW, who was a technical sergeant when she was nominated for the award.

Lt. Col. Rodney Mason, 2d MUNS commander, holds Major Spann in high confi-

"The reasons that Major Spann is a great selection for the Sijan award are endless," Colonel Mason said. "But to sum it up in a few words, he leads from the front, focused on the wing and Air Force mission, and he has a genuine concern for the well-being and training of Airmen under his charge. He exemplifies the wing vector of TWO.'

"Lieutenant Boe received the nomination because he's an exemplary leader," said Capt. Doug Kisala, Lieutenant Boe's supervisor. "He's performed superbly as the chief of targets, leading and training an eight-person element. He's also served as the acting flight commander, bringing the full depth of his experience as a prior enlisted Airman and as an officer to lead our entire flight of 30 people.

"Lieutenant Boe will be moving to Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas, this fall." said Lieutenant Kisala. "While we will be very sad to see him go, he'll be teaching young airmen and helping the en-

Second Lt. Daniel Werner, 2d CES maintenance engineer, knows why Sergeant Walters was nominated for the award.

"Sergeant Walters is a proven leader," Lieutenant Werner said. "Sergeant Walters has been recognized again and again at all levels, including 2d Civil Engineer squadron's senior NCO of the year, 332d Expeditionary Mission Support Group senior NCO of the month and 2d Bomb Wing's senior NCO of the quarter."

Sergeant Laird's supervisor, Senior Master Sgt. Edwin Torres of the 2d BW Manpower Office, lets the numbers explain why she deserved the nomination.

'Sergeant Laird was our 2003 Air Force Climate Survey manager," Sergeant Torres said. "Her stellar leadership resulted in 100 percent contact of 6,590 military and civilian personnel resulting in a 52 percent participation rate within the wing, besting the Air Force average and 2001 survey results."

Sergeant Walters is a strong supporter of award programs such as the Sijan award.

"Award programs at any level are extremely important," Sergeant Walters said, who is currently deployed. "I believe there is no better way to say thank you to an Airman for a job well done other than to recognize him or her in the presence of their peers."

The Sijan award was first given in 1981 and is named in honor of the first Air Force Academy graduate to receive the Medal of Honor. Sijan was shot down over Vietnam on Nov. 9, 1967, and successfully evaded capture for 45 days despite severe injuries. He later died while in a Vietnamese prisoner-of-war camp. Sijan was presented the Medal of Honor posthumously for his hero-

The final four award winners who are selected at Air Force level are presented their award at the Pentagon by the Joint Chief of the Air Force in December.

2d Security Forces enforce installation speeding policies

BY AIRMAN BRANDON KUSEK

BOMBARDIER

During the question and answer forum of Barksdale's Safety Fair May 27, base members expressed their concern about enforcement of the base speed limit.

"On Barksdale, we pride ourselves on being safer than our civil-

ian counterparts in the housing communities and streets," said Staff Sgt. Kimberly Blanco police services NCO, 2d Security Forces "The speed limits throughout the base housing areas are desig-

nated as slower driving areas to protect our housing residents, Sergeant Blanco said. "The speed limit on base is 25 mph unless otherwise posted, like in housing where it's only 15 mph."

She reminds all drivers that they have increased their enforcement of speed limits in the housing areas, main intersections and high speed streets like Range Road.

Speed measuring devices like radar and lidar are used to monitor and regulate speeding on Barksdale. Speed limit signs are posted on all streets accessing the different housing areas. To further protect the families who reside in housing, a "no through traffic" policy is in effect in main base and east side housing areas.

"Security forces constantly strive to keep the housing communities and base well above established safety standards," Sergeant Blanco said.

All moving motor vehicle violations count against a person's driving record in the form of negative points on a civilian's operator license or base driving record for active duty members.

"Points taken away can range from two to eight points per citation," Sergeant Blanco said. "Drivers are only allowed 12 points per year."

These negative points against military members can result in the revocation of driving privileges on base. Additionally, base driving records are forwarded from loosing bases to gaining bases.

"One of our largest concerns on base is to prevent accidents like pedestrians and vehicles being hit by another automobile," Sergeant Blanco said. "Safety is everyone's responsibility.

"Obeying posted regulations and speed limits are in the best interest of the community for the safety of our families, and in the best interest of the individual vehicle operators," the sergeant said.



Staff Sqt. Daniel Kerr, 2d Security Forces Squadron, monitors the speed of drivers in front of the officers club. Barksdale residents expressed their concerns about people speeding in the housing areas. Friday, July 30, 2004 The Bombardier



Hanging tough: Master Sgts. Mark Marcotte, a survival evasion resistance escape specialist, and David Williams, both from 2d Operations Support Squadron life support, instruct officers and crew chiefs attending egress training in proper parachuting techniques. Instructors conducted parachute training in conjunction with egress training Monday.

Airman 1st Class Trina Flannagan/2d CS

News briefs

Commander's calls

2d Bomb Wing commander's calls for enlisted, civilian and officers are scheduled in August. The enlisted call is scheduled Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in Hoban Hall. A civilian call is scheduled Aug. 20 at 1 p.m. at the officers' club. An officers' call is scheduled Aug. 20 at 4 p.m. in the officers' club.

2d Mission Support Group awards

Quarterly award winners for April through June for the 2d Mission Support Group are as follows: Company grade officer — Capt. Terry Simonton, 2d Communications Squadron; Senior NCO — Master Sgt. Terri McDuffie, 2d Logistics Readiness Squadron; NCO — Tech. Sgt. Larry Simpson, 2d Civil Engineering Squadron; Airman — Airman Bethany West, 2d Contracting Squadron; Civilian GS-9 and above — Mr. David Nesmith, 2d CES; Civilian GS-8 and below — Mr. Johnathan Lynch, 2d CES

Retirements

Master Sgt. James Vanecek

Master Sgt. James Vanecek, 2d Communications Squadron, retires after 20 years of dedicated service during a ceremony in the Dougherty Center conference room today at 2 p.m. Dress is casual for civilians and uniform of the day for military. Call Tech. Sgt. Alfonso Noguera at 456-3565 for more information.

Tech. Sgt. Billly Higginbotham

Tech. Sgt. Billy Higginbotham, 2d Munitions Squadron, retires after 21 years of dedicated service during a ceremony in the Daedalian room in the officer's club Aug. 6 at 2 p.m. Dress is casual for civilians and uniform of the day for military. Call Master Sgt. James Hendrix at 456-3531 for more information.

Promotion ceremony

Barksdale's monthly promotion ceremony is Monday at 3 p.m. at Hoban Hall. Practice is 1 p.m. for promotees and all other participants. The uniform of the day is service dress for promotees. Call Master Sgt. Mara Trimble at 456-3569 or Master Sgt. Kenneth Alsandor at 456-5852 for more information.

Change of command

Lt. Col. Mark Matsushima takes command of the 8th Information Warfare Flight from Lt. Col. Robert Morris in a ceremony Aug. 10 at the officers club ballroom at 10 a.m.

Colonel Matsushima comes from the 8th Air Force where he was chief of the Commander's Action Group.

Colonel Morris moves to the Pentagon where he will serve as deputy director for Information Operations.

Heritage committee

The Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Committee holds monthly meetings at the 2d Logistics Readiness Squadron conference room the first Thursday of each month at 3:30 p.m. Call Senior Airman Darline Bock at 456-7029 for more information.

Motorcycle club meeting

Base motorcycle riders have scheduled a meeting for an upstart of the Barksdale Motorcycle Riders Club in the base theater Monday at 3 p.m. The meeting is open to all motorcycle riders on active duty, reserve, guard, retired and Department of Defense civilian employees that associate with Barksdale Air Force Base. The club will be a private organization geared to embrace safe riding, camaraderie, community involvement, motorcycle riding awareness to the base and communities and to have fun riding. Call Senior Master Sgt. Steve Stakes at 456-6908 for more information.

First Friday Social

The African American Heritage Committee hosts the First Friday Social Aug. 6 at 4:30 p.m. at the enlisted club. Food, drinks and music are scheduled. The social hosts a domino and spades competition at 5 p.m. Contact Staff Sgt. Derrick Bartley at 456-2747 to sign up or for more information.

Thrift shop

The thrift shop is scheduled to re-open Tuesday. A variety of items, including dry goods, electronic equipment, baby furniture, household furniture, toys, jewelry, dishes and clothing is available. Volunteers are needed to run the thrift shop, interested individuals should go to the thrift shop for more information. The Thrift Shop hours of operation are Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.; con-

signments are taken from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on open days.

Silent auction

The 8th Air Force Museum Association hosts a silent auction Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. at the 8th Air Force Museum to raise funds for a museum expansion project. Heavy hors d'oeuvres are available at a cost of \$10 for master sergeant and above and \$5 for technical sergeant and below. Dress for the event is business casual. Call 456-5077 by Monday to reserve a seat.

Car wash

The 2d Bomb Wing Command Post hosts a car wash to support various morale programs Aug. 7 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Barksdale Federal Credit Union parking lot near the north gate. Contact Staff Sgt. Sherry Garner at 456-2151 for more information.

Dental residency accreditation notice

The American Dental Association's Commission on Dental Accreditation will conduct an accreditation inspection of the 2d Dental Squadron's dental residency program Nov. 9. The inspection will evaluate the organization's compliance with ADA accreditation standards.

The commission is soliciting third-party comments from dental residents, dental residency staff and dental residency patients pertaining to the dental residency program. Comments must pertain only to the standards for the program or policies and procedures used in the commission's accreditation process.

A copy of the appropriate accreditation standards and the commission's policy and procedures for submission of complaints may be obtained by contacting the commission at 211 East Chicago Avenue, Chicago, Ill. 60611 or by calling 1-800-621-8099, extension 4653. Complaints are due into the commission's office no later than Sept. 10.

Train safety

Drivers should be cautious and aware of the dangers related to the railroad track which runs perpendicular to the entrance of the Shreveport Gate. This railroad crossing does not have gates to reduce the chance of a collision, but instead relies on drivers' diligence to watch for the warning lights and the tracks.

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11 Airmen punished

2D BOMB WING LEGAL OFFICE

From July 1 through 21, 11 Barksdale members received nonjudical punishment under Article 15 of the Uniform Code of Military Justice.

An airman was apprehended for driving under the influence of alcohol. Punishment: suspended reduction to airman basic, forfeiture of \$100 pay per month for two months, 30 days extra duty, and a reprimand.

An airman first class failed to go to work on time. Punishment: forfeiture of \$250 pay per month for two months and 30 days extra duty.

An airman first class wrongfully used marijuana. Punishment: reduction to airman basic.

A senior airman was apprehended for driving under the influence of alcohol. Punishment: reduction to airman first class and a reprimand.

A senior airman was apprehended for driving under the influence. Punishment: reduction to airman first class and 29 days extra duty.

A senior airman was apprehended for

driving under the influence of alcohol. Punishment: reduction to airman first class, forfeiture of \$863 pay and 15 days extra duty.

A technical sergeant was apprehended for driving under the influence of alcohol. Punishment: reduction to staff sergeant, suspended forfeiture of \$1,183 pay, and 15 days extra duty.

A master sergeant wrongfully committed adultery and enticed an Airman to engage in sexual intercourse in exchange for monies. Punishment: reduction to technical sergeant, suspended forfeiture of \$1404 pay for two months and a reprimand

An airman wrongfully used marijuana. Punishment: reduction to airman basic

An airman first class failed to go to work on time. Punishment: forfeiture of \$250 pay per month for two months and 30 days extra duty.

Under the rapid airman discharge program during the above time frame, there were five discharges for minor disciplinary actions, one for drug abuse and two for failure to progress.

MEET THE NEW COMMANDER

Unit: 608th Air Communications Squadron

Family: Wife, Shari; daughter Savanna, 15

Past assignments: Keesler Air Force Base, Miss.; Aviano Air Base, Italy; Langley AFB, Va.; and Peterson AFB, Colo.

Education: Bachelor's degree from the University of Texas in El Paso. Master's Degree in Business Management from Troy State University, Ala.

Off-duty time is for: Family and travel

Hobbies: Exercise, running and weight lifting

What challenges do you see as a commander? Building the strategic Air Forces Air and Space Operations Center to meet Strategic Command's Global Strike mission requirements.

Goals: Reorient and build a cohesive team of professionals to meet the chal-



Col. Michael Curtis

lenges of a dynamic and evolving set of missions.

What makes a good Airman outstanding? Dedication and discipline and focus on the Air Force mission rather than solely on the job.

What do you like about Barksdale? The missions at Barksdale are exciting and challenging and believe it or not, I like the heat and humidity.

Life The Bombardier Friday, July 30, 2004

Cajun Warrior Attitude

Catch it! —

Family: Mother, Venita Ready; sisters, Kenneasha, Nakia and Kennia; niece, Deja and nephew, Dante

Hometown: North Little Rock, Ark.

Unit: 2d Logistics Readiness Squadron

Job title: Deployment system technician

Job description: To deploy the wing at a mo-

Most rewarding job aspect: Winning the Air Combat Command Logistics Planner of the Year Award for 2003

Goals: To participate in the world track and field championships and own a successful restaurant and club

Hobbies: DJing and running

What motivates my winning attitude: To know that my actions put a smile on somebody's face

Favorite TV channel: ESPN

Favorite performer: MJG and 8-ball

Favorite Sports Team: Arkansas Razorbacks

Favorite meal: Steak and potatoes

Pet Peeve: Passive people

I'm proudest of: The day my niece and

nephew were born

Person I admire the most: My Uncle Norris



Airman Brandon Kusek/The Bombardie

Airman 1st Class **Kenneth Bracely**

Best day of my life: Summer of 2001 when I had the chance to compete against some of the best track and field athletes in the world

What I like most about Barksdale: Its close

The most influential person for you in the Air Force and why: First Lt. Anthony Myers because he taught me a thing or two about the Air Force and also gave me a chance to be myself and some Airmen do not get the same chance

2d Logistics Readiness Squadron at a glance

Squadron commander: Maj. Nathan Mooney First sergeant:

Senior Master Sgt. Julio Perez

2d Mission Support Group commander: Col. Colleen Duffy Division motto: "Rapid, responsive and reliable"

Education briefs

Barksdale Education Office is located at 723 Douhet Drive, bldg. 4314 Hours of operation are Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

PRAXIS testing

The next PRAXIS (formerly the national teacher's exam) test is scheduled Sept. 13 at 8 a.m. The test is open to active duty, Reserve and Guard members. Deadline to sign up for the test is Aug. 9. The test is required to enter into teacher certification programs and become certified to teach in most states.

Tuition assistance

Tuition assistance requests for all fall term school registrations start Monday. Current degree plans must be on file with the education center prior to approval.

Call the education office at 456-2615 to

schedule an appointment with a counselor.

ACT testing

The next ACT test is Aug. 9 at 8 a.m. Interested members must call 456-2615 to sign up. Space is limited to the first 15 people. The ACT is open to active duty, Reserve and Guard members.

Editors Note: For more information on education opportunities, access the Air Force Virtual Education Center at https://afvec.langley.af.mil, or the Air Force Institute of Advanced Distributed Learning at www.maxwell.af.mil/au/afiadl.

FSC offers reunion info during deployment separation briefings

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Military families constantly deal with separations and reunions. The affects of separation and reunion can be uncertain. Because of this, the Family Support Center offers reunion information as part of their deployment and separation briefing.

Often people in the separation and reunion process do not know where to turn for support and because it is a continual process for most military families. The Family Support Center provides vital information on reunion that prepares and assist families while providing spouses and opportunity to network with other families.

"The reunion can be just as stressful as the separation itself," said Ms. Winona Gillespie, a family support consultant Barksdale's Family Support Center. "The purpose of the reunion briefing is multifaceted and helps families recognize

changes in personal relationships, phase back into the home and work environment and makes homecoming a joyful occa-

"Since it is not a stand-alone program, reunion support is on-going and is briefed weekly in the personnel and family readiness briefing," Ms. Gillespie said. "Family support staff members are available for squadron briefings including spouse meetings. Resource materials and individual briefings are also available. An example of our on-going support is the pre-reunion outreach event scheduled Aug. 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Family Support Center."

The readiness program provides continual education and support before, during, and after deployment. Special events are planned for families of deployed members to receive information from the 2d Bomb Wing commander, Family Support Center staff and other families in the same situation.

Family Support Center

Located on the corner of Kenney Avenue and Curtiss Road in building 4713, 456-8400. Reservations required for all events.

Special event

A pool party for families of deployed members is scheduled Aug. 10 from 7 to 9 p.m. Free school supplies will be available for students. Call the Family Support Center at 456-8400 for more information.

TAP seminar

A three-day transition assistance program seminar is scheduled Tuesday and Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Department of Labor designed the program to help military members and their spouses make sound career decisions as they transition from military service to civilian life.

Attendees learn the skills needed to complete a successful self-directed job search. Based on comments made by attendees, most have said they wish they had taken advantage of this workshop 12 to 24 months prior to leaving the service.

Sign up to receive the tools needed to help prepare for this new challenge.

Call the Family Support Center at 456-8400 for more information.

Relocation briefing

Members must attend a relocation briefing at least 90 days prior to their departure date to learn about the many resources available to make a smooth and pleasant transition.

Call 456-8400 as soon as possible to schedule a relocation briefing. Spouses are encouraged to attend.

Readiness briefing

The Family Support Center's

Readiness Team provides information and support Thursdays at 2 p.m. to prepare for separation. Visit the center for this briefing to prepare active duty and family members for separation due to deployment or TDY. Spouses or significant others are encouraged to attend. Call 456-8400 for more information.

Volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed for various base agencies. Child care may be provided. Call the Family Support Center at 456-8400 to find out more about volunteering opportunities.

Airman's Attic

Donations of spring and summer clothing for adults and children are needed to stock the Airman's Attic. All clothing items should be clean and not stained or torn. These serviceable items can be dropped off at Family Services located in the Family Support Center Mondays through Fridays between 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. The Airman's Attic provides free household items, clothing, toys, uniforms, books and more to senior airmen and below and on a case-bycase basis for staff sergeants and above.

English as a 2d language

The English as a second language class provides essential language skills to assist students, personally and professionally, as they transition to American culture. The class is offered Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 8 p.m. Call 456-8400 for more informa10 Friday, July 30, 2004 Friday, July 30, 2004

2d LRS materiel management flight keeps B-52s, A-10s airborne

By 2d Lt. Valerie Decker

2D BOMB WING PUBLIC AFFAIRS

When seven B-52s from the 2d Bomb Wing flew a 35-hour mission during Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm, they flew the longest bombing mission in the history of military aviation and launched the first conventional cruise missiles.

However, keeping B-52s and A-10s ready for training and worldwide missions cannot happen without dedication and support from a team of professionals. Such a team of Airmen and civilians are with the 2d Logistics Readiness Squadron's Materiel Management Flight.

The materiel management flight cares for and protects all supplies and equipment for which the 2d LRS commander has storage responsibility including receiving,

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Photos by Airman 1st Class Trina Flannagan/2d CS

Mr. Willie Vasher, 2d Logistics Readiness Squadron's materiel management flight warehouse technician, operates a forklift as part of his daily duties. Mr. Vasher completed his 56th year anniversary working for civil service. the central receiving and off-loading takes place. They ensure

storage and issue, mobility readiness spares package, the flight service center and the aircraft parts store.

Working 24 hours a day, five days a week, this team supports the B-52 mission and ensures B-52s and A-10s have the option to be airborne anywhere, anytime, all the time. They are responsible for more than just extra parts, they ensure Airmen have the necessary tools to get the mission completed.

"For the most part, we receive and distribute parts for B-52s and A-10s," said Senior Airman Nathaniel Williams, materiel management flight supply technician. "All the way from rivets and wings to generators, we carry them all. We're responsible for locating and distributing the parts that our aircraft need to do get off the ground."

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Airman Williams works in the locator office within the storage and issue element, ensuring parts are delivered to B-52s and A-10s on time, everyday to keep them flying smoothly and safely. B-52s that need parts within 30 minutes of take-off are referred to as a "red ball," the Airman said. "We have at least one red ball daily, so you've got to be fast and knowledgeable to work here."

The process of acquiring a part begins in receiving where the central receiving and off-loading takes place. They ensure

safe transportation and cargo handling for peace and wartime operating stock. The storage and issue element maintains proper warehousing, storage and retrieval of the stock. They are also responsible for the preservation of six different types of materiel handling equipment valued at more than \$150,000. The mobility readiness spares package area is responsible for five MRSPs and two single integrated operational plan additive Support Spare Packages valued at approximately \$260 million. They support more than 60 B-52 aircraft. The flight service center oversees movement of serviceable assets to their appropriate warehouses and the aircraft parts store consists of three stock rooms encompassing nearly 21,000 square feet and more than 2,220 line items valued at \$160 million.

When B-52s deploy anywhere, anytime, the flight makes the mission a success.

"The materiel management flight is very important to the mission, and B-52s can't get off the ground without us," Airman Williams said. "The workload is overwhelming sometimes, but we just work overtime to get the job done right."

Comprised of about 100 Airmen and civilians, the materiel management flight has more than 10,000 items in stock.

"Everybody has to pitch in to get the job done," Airman Williams said. "The best part of working in materiel management flight is the challenge of getting the job done in a highly stressful environment."

Airman Williams says figuring out how to solve problems that arise daily gives him a sense of accomplishment

"The environment you work in makes all the difference in your attitude and in the willingness to go the extra mile for your supervisors," he said. "Working here makes me want to stay in the Air Force. I'd like to encourage other Airmen to have the same positive attitude that we have here in the materiel management flight.

"I'm motivated to stay in the Air Force so that I can keep morale high," the Airman said. "I want other Airmen to understand how important the materiel management flight is to our mission."

The supplies and products that must be accounted for range from nuts and bolts to classified, priceless, sensitive assets, said Mr. Ron Brown, material management flight chief.

Born and raised in Shreveport/Bossier, Mr. Brown's active duty service to the Air Force began in 1979 as a special purpose vehicle mechanic and now serves as a civil servant.

In order for the materiel management flight to get their job done right the first time, Mr. Brown delivers one main message: Have integrity in all you do. "Whether it's a product that's worth \$5 or \$500,000, our team has to take care of all our supplies," he said. "Everybody is accountable for their actions. As with the entire Air Force, we have a zero tolerance policy on non-compliance for the whole 2d LRS team."

Sixteen out of approximately 100 Airmen are currently deployed from the materiel management flight. Mr. Brown said the flight will accomplish their mission even though they feel the effects of decreased manpower. "We believe in our motto, '2d LRS nothing but the best," he said.

Members of the materiel management flight continue to put forth their best effort by guaranteeing B-52s and A-10s have the supplies and equipment they need for their training and worldwide missions.

The 2d LRS Materiel Management Flight helped the squadron win the 2003 Major General Warren R. Carter Daedalian Award. The award recognized how well the 2d LRS supports the wing in the areas of direct mission support and innovative management as well as looking at development and implementation of quality of life programs.

The materiel management flight continues to internalize their motto daily: "One team, one mission."

"You've got to take care of your troops so they can take care of you and you've got to believe in what you're doing," Mr. Brown said. "I take pride in what I do, and I like to make sure that we are putting forth our best effort at all times."



Airman 1st Class Daniel Fortier (left) and Airman Joshua Wiggins, materiel management flight technicians, work together to move and load a B-52 fuel tank out of the receiving and storage area at the 2d LRS.



Airman Sarah Arndt (left) and Senior Airman Camille Edwards, 2d LRS's materiel management flight receiving technicians, review proper receiving and storage procedures.



Senior Airman Nathaniel Williams, 2d Logistics Readiness Squadron's materiel management flight storage technician, uses a forklift to access hard-to-reach areas in the storage and area unit.

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At the movies

For recorded show times and movies, call 456-3666 or visit the Army and Air Force Exchange Services Web site at www.aafes.com. Movies are subject to change without notice.

Admission: Adults \$3, children \$1.50 (Information and photos courtesy of www.movieweb.com)



"Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story"

Rated: PG-13

Playing: Today at 7 p.m. Run time: 92 minutes

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"Two Brothers"

Rated: PG

Playing: Sunday at 2 and 7 p.m.

Run time: 85 minutes

Cast: Guy Pearce, Christian Clavier

Synopsis: An adventure of discovery, survival and wonder, this is the story of twin tiger brothers who are born amidst the temple ruins and exotic jungles of French Indo-China. Separated as cubs and taken into captivity, one is forced to become a circus performer, the other a trained killer. Years later, the brothers are reunited, but as forced enemies pitted against each other.

Chapel information

Chapel One: 275 Barksdale Boulevard, East Chapel Two: 724 Douhet Drive, 456-2111

Catholic services

Confession, Chapel Two, Saturday, 4:30 p.m. Mass, Chapel Two, Saturday, 5:30 p.m. Mass, Chapel Two, Sunday, 9 a.m.

Confraternity Christian doctrine, Chapel Two, Sunday,

Mass, Chapel One, Sunday, 11:30 a.m.

Protestant services

Liturgical communion service, Chapel One, Sunday, 9

Community worship service, Chapel Two, Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Inspirational gospel worship service, Chapel Two, Sunday, noon

Contemporary praise service, Chapel Two, Sunday, 6

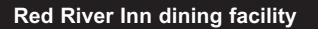
Family night, Chapel Two, Wednesdays, 6:30-8 p.m.

Noon mass

Noon Catholic Mass at Chapel One is cancelled until further notice.

Chapel bell choir

Anyone interested in joining the chapel bell choir may attend practices Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at the Chapel Two annex.



Flight Kitchen, 456-4769 Red River Inn, 456-8367 Items subject to change

Today

Lunch — Beef and corn pie, seafood newburg, veal steaks Dinner — Corned beef, pot roast, chicken

SaturdayBrunch — Creole shrimp, baked chicken, meatballs Supper — Goulash, baked fish, barbecue chicken

SundayBrunch — Spareribs, chicken breast, oven-fried fish Supper — Steak, beef stir-fry, turkey nuggets

MondayLunch — Pot roast, baked stuffed fish, roast pork Dinner — Chili mac, beef cannelloni, fried chicken

Tuesday

Lunch — Veal parmesan, teriyaki chicken, salmon Dinner — Meat loaf, country chicken, turkey

Wednesday

Lunch — Barbecue ham, turkey and noodles, beef Dinner — Pork chops, barbecue spareribs, chicken

Thursday

Lunch — Cabbage rolls, fried catfish, baked chicken Dinner — Cornish hens, roast pork, jaegerschnizel

August 6

Lunch — Swiss steak, baked chicken, stuffed peppers Dinner — Italian sausage, lasagna, spaghetti

Important message regarding base water

Editor's note: In accordance with state and federal regulations, this notice is required to run in the paper to notify the base population of the current condition of the base's water. Please share this information with everyone who drinks this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly.

During the current July reporting period, which runs through Saturday, the Barksdale Air Force Base water supply violated the maximum contaminant level of coliform bacteria as set forth in the state and federal primary drinking water regulations [Part XII of the Louisiana State Sanitary Code (LAC 51:XII)]. Action has been taken to eliminate the contamination.

This is not an emergency. If it had been, the base population would have been notified immediately. Total coliform bacteria are generally not harmful themselves. Coliforms are bacteria that are naturally present in the environment and are used as an indicator that other potentially-harmful bacteria may be present. Coliforms were found in more samples than allowed and this was a warning of potential problems.

Bacteria are commonly found in any water source. This month higher temperatures resulted in an increase in bacterial growth and therefore, slightly higher coliform levels in our water. The Heritage Housing area and the golf course were the only affected areas. To address this problem, the system was flushed with fire hydrants throughout the base. By moving the water through the system, the bacteria were effectively elimi-

Usually, coliforms are a sign there could be a problem with the treatment or distribution system pipes. Whenever 2d Civil Engineer Squadron or 2d Medical Group members detect coliform bacteria in any sample, they do follow-up testing to see if other bacteria of greater concern, such as fecal coliform or E. coli, are present. They did not find any of these bacteria in subsequent testing. If they had, they would have notified you immediately.

The base population does not need to boil water or take other corrective actions. However, if there are specific health concerns, consult a doctor.

People with severely compromised immune systems, infants and some elderly may be at increased risk. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. General guidelines on ways to lessen the risk of infection by microbes are available from Environmental Protection Agency's safe drinking water hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Providing the installation with clean drinking water is a coordinated effort between members in the 2d CES and the 2d MDG. They are dedicated to providing the base population with the highest quality drinking water

For additional information or questions regarding the quality of the drinking water provided on the installation, call bioenvironmental engineering at 456-6730. (Public Water Systems ID # 1015022)

Heir force

Airman 1st Class Michael and Melodie Cox, 2d Munitions Squadron, welcomed son, Dylan Kevin,

Senior Airmen Tim and Amanda Cole, 2d Security Forces Squadron and 2d Medical Support Squadron, respectively, welcomed son, Parker Ashton, July 7.

To announce your latest arrival, call 456-5501 or email thebombardier@barksdale.af.mil.



Sports shorts

Barksdale's top fitness performers

The following individuals scored a 100 on their annual fitness evaluation: 2d Lt. Maclin Williams, 2d Bomb Wing; Staff Sgt. Jacob Dellorso, 2d Maintenance Squadron; Staff Sgt. Dyan Lesnik, Detachment 1, 307th Red Horse Squadron and Senior Airman David Ruley, 2d Mission Support Squadron.

The following individuals scored a 95 or better on their annual fitness evaluation: Master Sgt. Patrick Norris, 2d Maintenance Operation Squadron, 99.75; Staff Sgt. Tracy Huffman, 2d BW, 98.25; Senior Master Sgt. Edwin Torres, 2d BW, 97.5; Col. Michael Moeller, 2d BW commander, 97.5; Lt. Col. Richard Stockton, 2d BW, 97; Lt. Col. Anthony Correro, 2d BW, 96; Capt. Michael McCoy, 2d BW, 95; Staff Sgt. Linda Garza, 2d BW, 95.

Base golf championship winners

The following is the list of winners from the base golf championships held July 17 and 18 at Barksdale's Fox Run Golf Course. They were: championship flight-winner Gerald Davis and runner-up Josh Wendt; first flightlow gross, Larry Evans and low net, Mike Duell; second flight-low gross, Samn Echuare and low net, Chris Eastridge; third flight-low gross, Ken Portis and low net, Jonathon Jarrell and fourth flight-winner, Bill Gallespie.

Hunter safety course

The Red Chute Shotgun Sports Club conducts the Louisiana State Hunter Safety course at the base forestry facility Aug. 6-7 from 6 to 9 p.m. and Aug. 8 from 8 a.m. to noon. The course is free and all supplies will be provided. Individuals ages 10 and over are welcome. Call Lloyd Webb at 456-3511 or 747-9654, Paul Williamson at 456-1133 or 752-1246 for preregistration.

Varsity softball

Barksdale's varsity softball team plays Tuesday and Thursday nights in Bossier City's Tinsley Park. The team will also compete in upcoming tournaments including the Hope Watermelon Classic in Hope, Ark., Aug. 14 and 15, and the United States Slo-Pitch Softball Association's Military World Series in Dallas, Texas, Aug. 19 through 23.

The following schedule is for the Bossier City league: Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. field 4; Thursday, 7:30 p.m.field 5; Aug. 10 7:30 p.m. field 2; Aug. 12, 7:30 p.m. field 4; Aug. 17, 8:30 p.m. field 5; Aug. 19, 7:30 p.m. field 4; Aug. 24, 7:30 p.m., field 2; Aug. 26, 8:30 p.m., field 2; Aug. 31, 8:30 p.m. field 4; and Sept. 2, 7:30 p.m. field 2.

Celebrate Barksdale registration still open

BY AIRMAN BRANDON KUSEK

THE BOMBARDIER

It's not too late to sign up for any of the Celebrate Barksdale sporting events. The three-on-three basketball, volleyball, mush-ball, five kilometer run and one mile walk takes place during the celebration.

The competition is not only on a personal level, but the group with the most participation will win the trophy.

The separate teams are 8th Air Force, 917th Wing, 2d Bomb Wing Staff, 2d Operations Group, 2d Maintenance Group, 2d Medical Group and 2d Mission Support Group.

'More than one team can sign up per squadron and there are a lot of slots open," said Master Sgt. Robert Hauer, the Barksdale Sports and Fitness Center superintendent.

"This is the first year of the extended competition," said Mr. Jim Dich, Barksdale Sports and Fitness Center director. "In previous years we had the run, volleyball and mush-ball and we also had horseshoes.'

The basketball and volleyball games are the first events and start at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday. The fivekilometer run and one-mile walk start at 8 a.m. Aug. 6. Mush ball, which is a game of softball in which a 16-inch softball is used and batters only get one pitch, takes place during the tournament.

"Sign-ups can be done at the front desk of the fitness center before the events," Sergeant Hauer said.

The only events that participants will receive individual awards for are the run and walk. In the five-kilometer run, the top male and female from each of the four individual age groups and top two walkers will receive individual

The team trophy will be awarded during the picnic on the final day of the celebration by Col. Michael Moeller, 2d Bomb Wing commander.

"People are encouraged to get out and participate because it's a great way for the different groups on base to interact," Mr. Dich said.



Easy does it: Barksdale cheerleaders Ashley Betha, co-captain, Mesha Skeete, coach, Mandy Griggs and Nicole Echols, captain, bring down Sonya Baker from a formation during practice July 19. The cheerleaders support Barksdale's varsity sports teams. This is the first year for the cheerleading squad, which consists of 13 active-duty members.

Scoreboard

Softball

American League National League CES CS 0 **MUNS** MOS 2 **MDG** 49th TES 3 **SFS** MXS #2 5 AMXS #1 MXS #3 8th AF **OWS** AMXS #2 MXS #1 20th BS **LRS**

Golf

American League		National League			
	W	L		W	L
CS	6	2	MSS	7	0
MXS #1	5	2	SVS	6	0
SFS	5	2	AMXS	6	2
MUNS #1	5	2	49th TES	4	3
8th AF	5	3	917th #2	4	2
MDG	4	4	CPTS	3	4
CES	4	4	MOS	2	5
917th #1	4	5	OSS	2	4
11th BS	3	4	MUNS #2	1	6
LRS	3	5	MXS #2	0	7

Standings as of Sunday

Standings as of Tuesday



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2d Services Events & Activities

www.barksdaleservices.com

HIGHLIGHTS

\$1,300 Bingo Jackpot

The bingo jackpot is up to \$1,300 and could go at any time. Play this Thursday at the officers club. See page B

New Childcare Rates

Effective Sept. 1, the child development center and the youth center will begin charging new

See page C

Bowling Program

Win lots of big prizes in Bowl for the Stars and Strikes. August is the final month for this annual summer bowling program. See page D

Camping and Canoeing

Outdoor recreation is hosting a camping, bass fishing and canoe trip to the beautiful Caddo River in Arkansas on Aug 13-15. See page D

Shooting Events

Shooting events are scheduled for August and September at the Red Chute Shotgun Club. See page E

Missoula Drama Camp

Auditions for The Frog Prince will be held Monday at the youth center. The production is set for August 6.

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Scrapbooking Class

Turn your pictures into family

See page G

Monte Carlo Night

An enlisted card and domino tournament is set for August 13 at the enlisted club. A \$400 gift certificate is awarded to the winner of the card game.

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Car or Motorcycle Show Entry Fee \$15 Includes goody bag with Free event T-Shirt

Craft Booths 10'X10": \$39



Call 456-3140 to sign up or register online at

www.barksdaleservices.com

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All Ranks Dining Specials Mongolian barbecue is back on August 4. Guests build their own

entrees by picking from numerous fresh ingredients like shrimp, beef, chicken or pork, dozens of fresh, crisp vegetables and 19 exotic sauces. Plates are weighed and cooked to order by the club. The cost is 45 cents per ounce. Desserts are also available.

Enjoy two-for-one steaks on August 18. Guests select the steak of their choosing at regular price and get a second steak of equal or lesser value for free. Steaks are hand-cut and grilled to guests' request. Entrees are served with a baked potato and veg-

All ranks are welcome at the officers club for evening dining. Dinner is served Wednesdays - Saturdays, 5:30-8:30 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome.

Family Buffet Night

Family buffet night is August 11 at the officers club at 5:30 p.m. Children can watch videos and win prizes. Adults can dine on rosemary baked chicken, roast beef, southern fried catfish, mashed potatoes and gravy, steamed rice, green bean almondine, a vegetable medley and hot cobbler for \$6.95. The children's buffet features chicken nuggets, mini corndogs, pizza, macaroni and cheese, mashed potatoes, swirl pudding, jello and cookies for \$3.50. Ages 5 and under eat for \$2.95.

Prime Rib Saturday

Enjoy slow roasted prime rib at the officers club every Saturday from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Petite cut is \$11.95, regular cut is \$13.95 and king cut is \$15.95. Meals are served with au jus and horseradish and choice of rice pilaf or potatoes, vegetable of the day and a glass of house wine Reservations are encouraged at 456-4926 but walk-ins are accepted. All ranks are welcome.

Sunday Champagne Brunch

Enjoy brunch Sundays from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the officers club. Brunch is open to all ranks and features a carving station, made-to-order omelettes, a fresh salad and fruit bar, a large dessert bar, numerous lunch entrees and all the traditional breakfast favorites. Wine, bloody mary, mimosa and champagne are also available. This price is \$10.95 for adults, \$5.95 for ages 5-12 and \$2.95 for under 5. Walk-ins are welcome.

Officers and Enlisted Clubs 456-4926





Gifts & Getaways 456-1865

Free Magic Springs Tickets

Magic Springs theme park is offering free admission to the active duty military. Discounted tickets for family members are available at Gifts and Getaways. Get adult tickets for \$22, compared to \$36.88 at the gate and children's for \$20, versus \$26.51 at the gate. Stop by Gifts and Getaways and plan your Hot Springs, Arkansas, weekend getaway.

Manager's Special

Get a beautiful wooden pen and pencil set or bronze eagle with a custom engraved message at half price. The pens are hardwood with brass bolsters. Single pen sets are \$15, doubles are \$25 and triples are \$35. The bronze eagles are \$20, \$35 or \$55, depending on the size. Get one today at Gifts and Getaways.

Schlitterbahn Water Park

Gifts and Getaways has discount tickets to Schlitterbahn Waterpark Resort in New Braunfels, Texas, just outside of San Antonio. It was named America's number one water park by the Travel Channel. Schlitterbahn Beach Waterpark is in sunny South Padre Island and has a tropical twist. Include these parks when planning a TDY or vacation. Save up to 14 percent off normal gate prices, only at Gifts and Getaways in the BX mall.

Discount Disney tickets

Take the family to see Mickey and gang. Save \$15 to \$33 on Walt Disney World tickets. Packages grant admission to all four Orlando parks ... Magic Kingdom, MGM Studios, Disney's Animal Kingdom and Epcot Center. Passes are available for up to a week. Come to Gifts and Getaways to plan the vacation of a lifetime without breaking the bank.

Texas Rangers Baseball

Tickets are on sale now for Texas Rangers Major League Baseball in Arlington, Texas. Arlington is only three hours from Barksdale and lots of fun and excitement await. Prices range from \$4-\$40. Save up to 25 percent only at Gifts and Getaways.

Robert Trent Jones Golf

Barksdale is the only place to get military discounts on Robert Trent Jones golf! Play award-winning courses for as little as \$29, which includes green fee and cart rental. Custom group packages and discounts on lodging are also available. Call Mary Gang at 456-5594 for reservations.

Watertown

Take the whole family for a day of fun in the sun without leaving town. Watertown water park, located in west Shreveport is open for business. The park features giant waterslides, wave pools, great concessions, plenty of room for soaking up the sun and lots more. Gifts and Getaways has reduced ticket prices for \$14.50. Stop by and plan a fun family outing without having to travel.

Half price Six Flags Tickets

Six Flags Over Texas Amusement Park is fun for the whole family. The park features thrilling rides for both adults and children, world-class entertainment, refreshments, souveniers and so much more. It is located in Arlington, only a three hour drive from Barksdale. Get Six Flags tickets for less than half of normal gate prices. Tickets start at \$22. Stop by Gifts and Getaways in the BX Mall to take advantage of these huge savings.

Hurricane Harbor

Hurricane Harbor waterpark, right next to Six Flags in Arlington, Texas, is is the place to cool off this summer. Arlington is only a three-hour drive from Barksdale. Gifts and Getaways has discount tickets and great deals on hotel rooms in the area. Save big from normal gate prices today.

Destination:	<u>Adult prices:</u>
Watertown	\$14.50
Hurricane Harbor (Arlington)	\$16
Six Flags Over Texas (Arlington)	\$25
Fiesta Texas (San Antonio)	\$36
Great Passion Play (Eureka Springs,	AR) \$11.75
Magic Springs (Hot Springs, AR) F	REE for active duty
	\$22
Arlington Hotel & Spa (Hot Spring	s) \$84-94
Majestic Hotel & Spa (Hot Springs) \$50-60
Medieval Times (Dallas)	\$44
Astroworld (Houston)	\$30
Sea World (San Antonio)	\$40
Texas Rangers Baseball (Arlington) \$4-40
Universal Studios (Orlando)	\$50.00
Disney World (Orlando)	\$210 /4 days
	\$240/5 days
	\$305/6 days

Arts & Crafts 456-5594

Framing Class

Frame your own pictures and save! Framing classes will be held August 18, 23 and 25 from 10 a.m. until noon and August 17, 19 and 24 from 5-7 p.m. The cost is \$25 plus supplies and students should bring a picture or photo (11 X 14 inches or smaller) suitable for framing. Our experts will help you achieve professional results. Pre-payment is required and a minimum of four students are needed to have a class. Reserve your spot today.

Woodworking Class

Woodworking classes at the wood hobby shop are on August 10, 12, 17 and 19. Students must be at least 17 years of age. Classes run from 6 to 8 p.m. and cover basic woodworking skills, techniques, safety and equipment use. Students complete a takehome project. The program is four classes and costs \$65. Stop by the wood hobby shop or call Mike at 456-3409 for details.

Pottery Class

Pottery making is fun for beginners and experts alike. Anyone 15 years old or older can learn how at the arts and crafts center. Classes are taught each Thursday from 5-7 p.m. Students will learn basic and advanced pottery making skills and may take as many classes as they like, as instruction is individualized. The cost is \$8.50 plus supplies. Sign up at the arts and crafts center or call for details. Hurry as class size is limited.

Kid's Class

Stimulate your child's mind with art. Each Thursday fom 4:30-5:30 p.m., the arts and crafts center has kid's class. Children are taught and guided through various arts and crafts projects. The cost is \$2 and up, depending on the project. Instruction is hands-on, so ages 5-12 are welcome to participate. Reservations are required by Tuesday each week. Call 456-3140 to sign up.

Scrapbooking classes

Are the memories of a recent vacation or event fading further into memory? Are those photo's gathering dust? It's time to bring the past to the present. Scrapbooking classes are taught at arts and crafts every Tuesday and Thursday from August to mid-September. Classes start at 5:30 p.m. and cost from \$12-\$16.

A wide array of topics will be taught. Some of the classes include creative handmade cards and invitations, pop-up pages, the wonders of paper-tearing, scrapbooking vellum. crazy for cardstock, terrific titles hand-cut, Marshall oils, kinetic scrapbooking with the fling thing kit, and a two-part class on heritage pages.

Classes are taught by expert instructor by Angela Michaelson. Class size is limited to 30, so the instruction is personal and individualized. Call 456-3140 to reserve a spot and bring old memories to life.

Friday, July 30, 2004

The Bombardier



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Youth Center 456-3448



Before and After School Program

Registration for the the Before and After School program is July 26 through August 13 from 9–11 a.m. Transportation is provided to Bellaire, Waller, Curtis, Sun City, and Kerr schools. The before school hours are 6:15-7:50 p.m. and after school hours are 2-6 p.m., Mondays - Fridays. All youth enrolled receive a nutritional breakfast and after school snack.

Fees are based on family income. Parents must bring shot records and proof of total family income to register. School starts August 16 for Bossier and Caddo Parish Schools. The program is open to children five through 12 year olds. Students who are 5 years old and entering Kindergarten may also participate in the School Age program, starting August 16. For further information or assistance, please call Ms. Davis, Ms. Pinder or Ms Robertson at 456-1794, 1796 or 3448.

Back to School Orientation

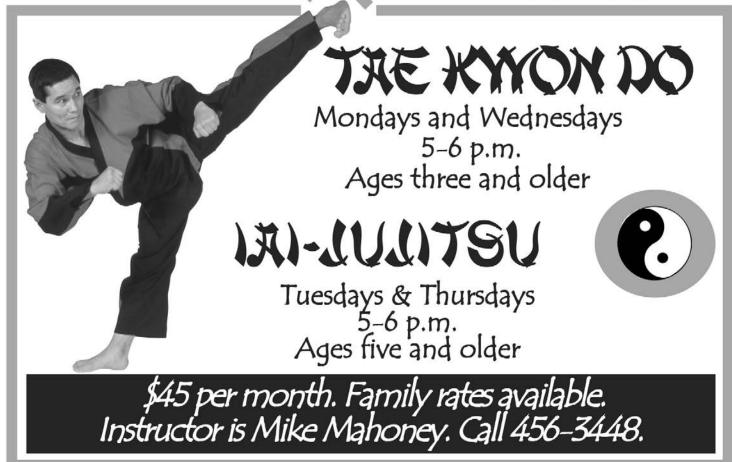
The annual back to school orientation for parents is August 13 from 5-6:30 p.m at the youth center. This program is designed to be informational for new and returning parents of school age children in Bossier Parish schools. Representatives from the Parish School Board and the transportation director will answer questions, refreshments will be served and school fashions will be presented.

Cheerleading Class

Registration for cheerleading basics class starts Monday at the youth center. Students learn tumbling, stunting, dance and cheering techniques. Youth five years or older may participate. The course is instructed by coach Mandy and is great preparation for the Bomber cheerleading squad. Classes are held Mondays and Thursdays from 5-6 p.m. and 6-7 p.m. The cost is \$30 per month for twice a week and \$45 per month for twice a week. Call 456-3448 for details.

Dance Class

Students ages three to 18 can study dance at the youth center. Dance improves fitness, increases balance and agility, and is fun for everyone. It also provides physical coordination fundamentals that enhance other sports activities. Classes feature ballet, jazz, modern ballet and hip-hop instruction. Registration begins Monday. The cost is \$45 per month. Call the youth center at 456-3448 for the class schedule.





New Child Development Center / Youth Program Rates

The Child Development Center announces the annual 5% fee increase effective 1 September 2004. Child care fees are set to meet 50% of the expenses of operating the center and fees are based on total family income. Parent fees are used to pay teacher salaries and small amounts of consumable supplies. The other 50% of the operating costs are paid with Appropriated Funds - - APF funds helps defray operating costs of all the administrative staff, 5% of teachers' salary and all other supplies, food, and equipment. Since the average cost to operate a Child Development Center is approximately \$300.00 per week per child, all families receive an AF subsidy. As with any subsidized program, individuals with lower income receive more subsidy than those with a higher income.

Below are the fee ranges set by the Department of Defense for the 2004/2005 School Year. If you have any questions, please contact the center at 456-4139.

Barksdale AFB Child Development Center Child Care Fees for the 2004/2005 School Year

Family Income	Weekly	Semi - Monthly	Family Income	<u>Weekly</u>	Semi - Monthly
Cat I Under \$28,000	\$60.00	\$130.00	Cat IV \$44,001 - 55,000	\$97.00	\$210.00
Cat II \$28,001 - 34,000	\$71.00	\$154.00	Cat V \$55,001 - 70,000	\$112.00	\$242.50
Cat III \$34,001 - 44,000	\$85.00	\$184.00	Cat VI \$70,001 and Over	\$128.00	\$277.50

Fees are NOT annualized. *Hourly Rate - \$2.75/hour/child. Fees effective 1 September 2004

Bowling Center 456-4133



Outdoor Recreation 456-3426

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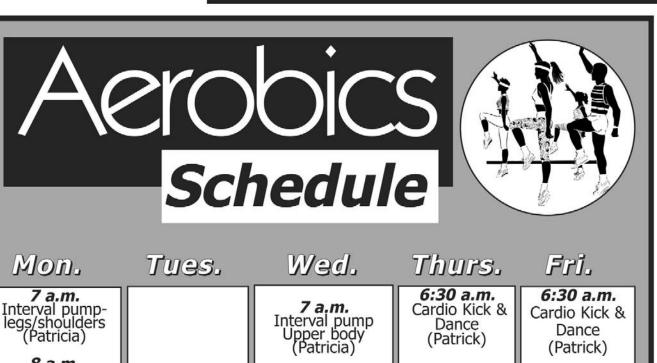




Fox Run Golf Course 456-2263



Fitness Center 456-4135



8 a.m. Basic Pilates (Patricia)

11 a.m. Step Aerobics-(Patricia)

Noon Cardio Kick & Dance (Patrick) 4 p.m. Cardio Kick &

Dance

(Patrick)

5 p.m. Interval pump-total body (Patricia)

Kickboxing aero-bics (Patricia)

11 a.m.

Step Aerobics-(Patricia)

Noon Cardio Kick & Dance (Patrick)

6 p.m. Kickboxing aerobics (Patricia)

11 a.m. **Pilates** (Patricia)

> Noon Team Training (Patricia)

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Red Chute Shotgun Club 456-4582

3:30 p.m.

Circuit Training

Byron Hardy



Shooting Events

Saturday - GMC Pro Challenge

August 14 - Back to School Open NSSA Registered Skeet Tournament

September 18 - Skeet Shoot

Call Loyd Webb to find out more!